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Re: New U.S. Patent Application

Title: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF A DYEING
COMPOSITION FOR THE DYEING OF KERATINOUS FIBERS
FROM PRESSURIZED STEAM

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 23 pages, including title page and abstract, and including 3 independent claims and 22 claims total.
2. Information Data Sheet (2 pgs.).
3. Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) (4 pgs.)/Form PTO 1449 (2 pgs.)/French Search Report (3 pgs.)/Documents (41).
4. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Basic Application Filing Fee						\$ 750.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims	Rate	
Total Claims	22	-	20	2	X \$ 18	\$ 36.00
Independent Claims	3	-	3	0	X \$ 84	\$ 0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim(s)					+ \$ 280	= 0.00
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Reduction by ½ if Small Entity						- 0.00
TOTAL APPLICATION FILING FEE						\$ 786.00

5. A check for \$ 786.00 is enclosed. The fee includes:

\$ 750.00 filing fee; and
\$ 36.00 additional claims fee.

Applicants claim the right to priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on French Patent Application No. 02 09515, filed July 26, 2002, in France. Applicants also claim the right to priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) based on U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/408,898, filed September 9, 2002, in the United States.

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This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) and (f). Applicants await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the executed Declaration.

Please accord this application an application number and a filing date.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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